

## NMLRA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 15, 2022  
NMLRA Education Building, 1:00pm

### I. Call to Order

President, Mike Yazel called the Board of Directors Meeting of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association (NMLRA) to order at 1:03 pm EDT on June 15, 2022, Friendship, IN.

### II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocations

Mike Yazel led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Jerry Von Dieligen gave the invocation.

### III. Roll call of Officers & Directors

Secretary conducted roll call. In attendance of the meeting were: Board Members:

President – Mike Yazel, 1st Vice President – Rich Crabtree, 2nd Vice President – Michele Meanley, Secretary – Karen Latta, Treasurer – Alan Hoeweler, Jeff Cunningham - Excused, Jerry Von Dieligen, Arthur Fleener, Marty Murphy, Bill Foy - Excused, David DeLong, Andy Larson, Rick Weber, Joe Hill Unexcused, Neil Eddington, Robin Bonaventura, Mark Donaldson, Cal Merritt, Rick Repovsch, Brent Steele, Mike Eder

Quorum Present

Legal Council: Neil Fairweather

### IV. Approval of Last Board Meeting Minutes – 4/2/2022

- A. Secretary Latta distributed the minutes from the last meeting April 2, 2022.
- B. Art Fleener motioned to accept the meeting minutes.
- C. The minutes were unanimously approved with the following exceptions:
  - a. Andy Larson's request for a financial report.

- i. Alan Hoeweler stated that there were no financial distributions for the officers.
- b. Mike Eder's request that the camping proposal from Michele be added to the minutes.

## V. Reports of Officers and Staff

### A. President – Mike Yazel

- a. Suggested reviewing how we terminate a deceased members membership and make sure the time left in the membership is fulfilled for the remaining family members
- b. Discussed allowing special needs children to remain on a family membership after they pass the official Junior age.
- c. Discussed allowing powder sales to business members and the board decided not to pursue this.
- d. Discussed the Percussion Cap situation which looks bleak until 2025.
- e. Discussed creating a better program to utilize donated powder.
- f. Discussed establishing hard schedules for items with staff including the magazine, programs and other time sensitive items.
- g. Pursue moving the 8 LED Pole Lights that Cal has, to the NMLRA grounds so they can be used there. Mike Eder can transport.
- h. Reported that utilizing materials from the Highway 62 Bridge Project did not work out.
- i. Discussed the current situation with the scoring program for pistol.
- j. Gunmakers Hall wants to continue fundraising for ADA access compliance on the grounds.
- k. Reported on doing a review of all of our documentation from a legal perspective.
- l. Discussed establishing the position of Operations Manager.
- m. Return a donated shotgun to Henry Albrect for use at his home range.
- n. Mentioned that we had not yet received the grant from the Ripley County Foundation.

### B. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Rich Crabtree

- a. Utilizing materials from the Highway 62 Bridge Project did not work out.

- b. Discussed a grant for two mowers with a possible total of \$40,000.
  - c. AEDs need new batteries.
  - d. Discussed a potential problem with Jim Christy's building and the bathroom location.
  - e. Discussed 3<sup>rd</sup> shift security.
  - f. Vicky Wallen – new employee
  - g. The Camp Spot liability issue will be looked into.
- C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Michele Meanley
  - a. Discussed fundraiser events.
  - b. Discussed vendors, contact articles, social media and advertisement.
  - c. Discussed field reps, charter clubs, membership and education.
  - d. Discussed bulk target pricing.
- D. Secretary – Karen Latta
  - a. Passed out the new motion forms.
- E. Treasurer - Alan Hoeweler
  - a. Guest Craig Turpin was present. A Profit and Loss statement was handed out.

## VI. Committee Reports

- A. Short update on PR Projects
  - a. The Trap Range was complete with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, June 12, 2022 with DNR present.
  - b. A revised blueprint for the bathroom is on display on the new scoring room building.
  - c. NMLRA was granted a one year extension to complete current projects.
- B. Ethics Committee – No report

## VII. Old Business

- A. Forensic Audit
  - a. Updates given by Neil Fairweather
    - i. Bob Sicking says they are not done and it is still in the works. There are American Express and Visa card statements still needed. This has become a big challenge due to international banking.
- B. Cabin
  - a. Updates given by Neil Fairweather

- i. The cabin will be moved. One permit application needs to be completed to move this issue to Ripley County and out of the state's hands, which will result in no fines or taxes.

## VIII. New Business

- A. Proposed Constitution and By Laws Discussion
  - a. This was reported at the Membership Meeting on June 13, 2022 and will be followed up at the September meeting.
- B. Fundraiser for Ladies Shoot
  - a. Mike Eder, moved to allow a shotgun made by Longstreth be raffled off.
    - i. Cal Merritt, seconded.
    - ii. Unanimously approved.
- C. Short report of the NRA Show
  - a. Andy Larson and his wife represented the NMLRA Booth and acquired 10 memberships. They felt like it was successful.
    - i. Bill Logthridge, approached Andy about getting ties back to the NMLRA in regards to postal scores, recognizing classification, NMLRA targets, etc. Michele Meanley suggested that Bill reach out to Michael Bush.
- D. Proposed Scholarship Offering – Jeff Cunningham
  - a. This is will be looked into further.

**\*Break from 4:20pm – 4:50pm\***

## IX. Executive Session

- A. Alan Hoeweler motioned to go into executive session at 5:10pm
  - a. Rich Crabtree, seconded.
- B. Art Fleener motioned to come out of executive session at 5:50pm.
  - a. Brent Steele, seconded.

## X. Adjournment

- A. Art Fleener motioned to adjourn
  - a. Alan Hoeweler, seconded.